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SUBJECT: CHILEAN-BOLIVIAN RELATIONS

- 1. RESPONDING TO PRESS INQUIRIES EVIDENTLY INSPIRED BY RECENT STATEMENTS OF BOLIVIAN FONMIN GUZMAN ON BOLIVIAN DEMAND FOR ACCESS TO SEA, JUNTA PRESS SPOKESMAN WILLOUGHBY ON AUG 26 SAID CHILEAN-BOLIVIAN RELATIONS HAVE NEVER BEEN SO OPEN AND FRANK. HE REPEATED NOW-STANDARD GOC LINE THAT ANY SPECULATION TO CONTRARY IS INSPIRED BY INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CHILEANM(MEANING MARXIST) INTERESTS. WILLOUGHBY SAID CHIEF OF STATE PINOCHET IS PERSONALLY CONCERNED WITH MAINTAINING CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH BOLIVIA, AND REFERRED TO CHILEAN-BOLIVIAN CUSTOMS AND PORT TALKS TO TAKE PLACE IN LA PAZ. CHILEAN DELEGATION TO BE HEADED BY FONOFF POLITICAL ADVISER ENRIQUE BERNSTEIN.
- 2. AT SAME TIME, SANTIAGO PRESS CAREFULLY PRINTING LA PAZ AP STORIES DATELINED AUG 27 ON "EULOGY" OF CHILEAN PEOPLE BY BOLIVIAN GEN. CARLOS ALCOREZA MELGAREJO.
- 3. COMMENT. BERNSTEIN TOLD EMBOFF THAT DESPITE LACK OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS CHILE-BOLIVIA RELATIONS ARE EXECELLENT.

GOC TAKES FOR GRANTED AND ACCEPTS WITHOUT CONCERN CONTINUED
GOB INTEREST IN ACCESS TO SEA AND CONTINUING PRESS DISCUSSION.
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